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In re application of:

Gentalen et al.

Application No.: 09/930,536

Filed: August 14, 2001

For: METHODS OF USING AN
ARRAY OF POOLED PROBES
IN GENETIC ANALYSIS

Examiner: Siew, Jeffrey

Art Unit: 1637

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

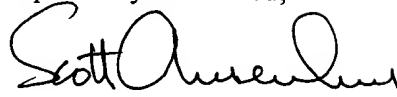
This paper is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 25, 2002. A response was originally due December 25, 2002. Applicants enclose a one month Petition for Extension of Time, thus extending the period for response to January 25, 2003. Since this date fell on a Saturday, the deadline for response is further extended to Monday, January 27, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group II (claims 20-28 and 30) without traverse.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this

application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Ausenhus". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Scott" and last name "Ausenhus" clearly distinguishable.

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